

**Report to: Joint Museums Committee, 7 March 2024**

**Report of: Museums Manager**

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**Subject: JOINT MUSEUMS COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

## **1. Recommendation**

**1.1 That the Joint Committee note its future work programme and consider whether there are any additional matters it would wish to be incorporated.**

## **2. Background**

2.1 In order to allow the Joint Committee to manage its future work programme, a list of anticipated items for 2024-25, as set out in the rolling agenda managed by Worcester City Council Democratic Services team, has been included in section 3 below.

2.2 The Museums Worcestershire Strategic Plan 2019-24 was adopted in June 2019, and reviewed at a Committee workshop in January 2022. The programme of reporting and decisions required to fulfil the Strategic Plan is included in this work programme. A workshop to consider the next Strategic Plan for the service is planned and will inform the committee's work programme from 2025 onwards.

2.3 Arts Council England have recently decided to extend the current funding of their National Portfolio Organisations to 2027 (from 2026). None of the Museums Worcestershire museums is currently in the portfolio, but the current strategic plan includes a review to apply. Applications to the portfolio will now fall into Museums Worcestershire's next strategic plan and so it has been postponed from the committee's immediate work programme.

2.4 Members of the committee should consider if they would like to add any additional items to the work programme over the upcoming year.

## **3. Information**

3.1 6 June 2024, at The Commandery. The meeting to cover:

- 1) Election of Chair and Appointment of Vice Chair
- 2) 23-24 Annual Review and Performance
- 3) Finance 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Monitoring Report
- 4) Worcestershire County Museum Development
- 5) Accreditation and Designation

6) Joint Museums Committee Work Programme

3.2 Provisionally 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024, venue to be confirmed. The meeting to cover:

- 1) 2023-24 Quarter 1 Performance
- 2) Finance 1st Quarter Monitoring Report
- 3) Tickenhill Trust Annual Report
- 4) 2025 Fees & Charges
- 5) Budget (if required)
- 6) Strategic Plan 2025-2030
- 7) Audience Development and Access Plan
- 8) Joint Museums Committee Work Programme

3.3 Provisionally 6th March 2025, venue to be confirmed. The meeting to cover:

- 1) 2024-25 Quarters 2 & 3 Performance
- 2) Finance 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarters Monitoring Report
- 3) 2025-26 Service Plan
- 4) Fundraising Charity's Annual Priorities
- 5) Development update for Worcester Art Gallery and Worcestershire County Museum
- 6) Learning Service
- 7) Joint Museums Committee Work Programme

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